

STATE OF TASMANIA.

5 JUN 1939

MONTHLY STATISTICS - MARCH-APRIL, 1939.

RAILWAYS.

		1938. April.	1939. March.	1939. April.
Gross Revenue	£	44,546	48,254	44,689
Working Costs, excl. Interest	£	46,302	47,272	47,002
Train Miles run (incl. Rail Motor) No.		166,593	175,630	159,488
Passenger Journeys	"	204,894	165,164	233,235
Goods and Live Stock	Tons.	73,423	86,106	75,472

ELECTRIC POWER - Units generated by -

	1938. April.	1939. March.	1939. April.
Hydro-Electric Department	41,198,000	44,267,400	43,015,200
Mt. Lyell Mining & Railway Co.)			
Launceston City Council)			
Pioneer Tin Mining Co.)			
Small, Plants, estimated)	4,514,420	5,226,715	4,733,507
Total Units	45,712,420	49,494,115	47,748,707
Units supplied to Hobart Metropolitan area:	26,679,779	28,586,733	27,695,267
" " " Launceston & Suburbs:	1,748,142	2,074,135	1,937,918

EMPLOYMENT - Private.

	1938. April.	February.	1939. March.	April.
50 Factories	8,903	9,748	9,411	9,256
14 Retail etc.	922	965	970	978
10 Miscellaneous, incl. Banks, Insurance, Motor Cils, Private Railways, etc.	1,021	1,056	1,017	1,015
	10,846	11,769	11,398	11,249

REAL ESTATE STATISTICS.

	1938. April.	February.	1939. March.	April.
Real Property Act.	£	£	£	£
Value of Land Transfers	80,438	62,395	133,053	68,798
" " Mortgages registered	61,521	79,027	92,225	56,335
" " " discharged	28,031	26,480	53,343	38,838
" " " partially discharged	1,212	1,253	5,963	711
Registration under Deeds Act.				
Value of Conveyances	88,684	81,343	150,881	91,919
" " Mortgages	69,256	47,968	104,520	51,924
" " Reconveyances	35,760	36,362	50,940	32,629

FINANCE. April 1938 and 1939.

Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Receipts.				Payments.			
April.		Ten Months.		April.		Ten Months.	
1938.	1939.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1938.	1939.	1937-38.	1938-39.
£366,459	£329,944	£2,818,758	£2,689,313	£380,527	£380,189	£2,837,484	£2,882,295
Excess of Payments over Receipts 10 months.				1937-38 ..		£18,726	
				1938-39 ..		£192,982	

TRADE.

	1938. April.	1939. March.	1939. April.	Ten Months.	
OVERSEA.	£	£	£	1937-38.	1938-39.
Imports (a)	113,303	98,692	77,643	1,242,195	1,015,355
Exports	331,685	495,199	374,831	2,406,739	2,618,385
(a) British Currency.					

MOTOR REGISTRATIONS - April, 1939.

	<u>Horries,</u> <u>Trucks, &c.</u>	<u>Motor</u> <u>Cycles.</u>	<u>Cars & Other</u> <u>Vehicles.</u>
No. on Register at 1.4.39	4,909	3,608	17,364
Lapsed Registrations	371	343	1,417
	4,538	3,265	15,947
Registrations - April, 1939.			
New Vehicles	46	28	162
Used Vehicles	345	289	1,245
No. on Register at 30th. April, 1939:	4,929	3,582	17,354
" " " " " " 1938:	4,387	3,610	16,388

SAVINGS BANK DEPOSITS.

	<u>1938.</u> <u>April.</u> £	<u>1939.</u> <u>March.</u> £	<u>1939.</u> <u>April.</u> £
Commonwealth Savings Bank -	2,170,463	2,292,402	2,302,998
Trustee Savings Banks - Hobart, L'ton.	5,444,961	5,936,402	5,968,963
	7,615,424	8,228,804	8,271,961

BANK CLEARINGS.

Hobart	2,804,285	3,188,748	2,748,704
Launceston	1,119,053	1,192,655	1,098,657

COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.

	<u>Net Sales of Taxable</u> <u>and Exempt Goods.</u> £	<u>Net Taxable</u> <u>Sales.</u> £	<u>Sales Tax</u> <u>Collected.</u> £
<u>1938.</u>			
April	642,813	198,194	9,559
<u>1938.</u>			
November	625,699	222,749	10,466
December	749,786	233,470	12,067
<u>1939.</u>			
January	742,534	247,775	13,691
February	558,904	209,909	12,308
March	914,215	214,676	13,024
April	578,478	190,355	10,407
10 Months, 1938-39:	6,992,631	2,143,164	106,955
" " 1937-38:	7,308,549	2,084,673	97,236

BUTTER PRODUCTION. (Factory)

	<u>1938.</u> <u>March.</u>	<u>1938.</u> <u>November.</u>	<u>1938.</u> <u>December.</u>	<u>1939.</u> <u>January.</u>	<u>1939.</u> <u>February.</u>	<u>1939.</u> <u>March.</u>
Butter lb.	921,116	1,472,271	1,556,641	1,205,613	677,861	650,978

RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS.

	<u>Cost of Food and Groceries.</u> (6 Capitals in 1923-1927 as Base = 1000)			
	<u>1938.</u> <u>April.</u>	<u>1939.</u> <u>February.</u>	<u>1939.</u> <u>March.</u>	<u>1939.</u> <u>April.</u>
Hobart	877	917	920	922
Launceston	874	921	912	917
Burnie	906	942	935	941
Devonport	892	941	925	937
Queenstown	976	1016	1020	1028
Weighted Average, Tasmania:	881	923	922	925
Rosebery	...	1031	1014	1021

LIFE ASSURANCE.

Year.	Societies.	New Business.		Policies in Force at 31st. December.		Assets in Tasmania. £'000.
		No.	Assuring £'000.	No.	Assuring £'000	
1934	10	9,061	1,153	66,442	10,761	4,166
1935	10	10,569	1,477	70,014	11,447	4,239
1936	10	13,857	1,854	76,197	12,492	4,510
1937	10	16,880	2,172	84,358	13,768	4,528
1938	10	15,727	2,019	89,777	14,692	4,728

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

		Year 1936-37.	Year 1937-38.
Factories	No.	946	948
Hands employed (a)	"	12,431	13,170
Wages paid (b)	£	2,074,785	2,292,361
Value of fuel used etc.	"	402,071	405,721
" " materials used	"	5,198,952	5,425,121
" " production	"	4,815,604	5,445,094
" " output of factories	"	10,461,366	11,321,559
" " land and buildings	"	3,052,658	2,989,509
" " plant and machinery	"	4,750,486	4,676,687

(a) Includes working proprietors.
(b) Exclusive of amounts drawn by working proprietors.

VALUE OF PRODUCTION - (Output less Costs other than Labour).

	Year 1936-37.	Year 1937-38.
	£	£
Treatment of Non-Metalliferous Mine & Quarry Products	240,375	220,697
Bricks, Pottery, Glass, etc.	52,308	60,711
Chemicals, Dyes, etc.	56,407	57,184
Industrial Metals, Machines, etc.	1,715,673	2,042,397
Precious Metals, Jewellery, Plate	4,217	4,245
Textile and Textile Goods	378,486	365,762
Skins and Leather	17,085	7,258
Clothing	89,982	90,709
Food, Drink & Tobacco	788,335	951,241
Wood-working and basketware	423,054	461,176
Furniture, Bedding, etc.	69,812	80,889
Printing and Binding	323,052	388,065
Rubber	14,931	16,761
Miscellaneous Products	40,913	42,017
Heat, Light and Power	600,974	655,982
	4,815,604	5,445,094

HOBART BUILDING PERMITS. April, 1938 and 1939.

Month.	New Buildings for Habitation.		New Buildings For Other Purposes.		Alterations & Additions.		Total.	
	Permits No.	Contract Price.	Permits No.	Contract Price.	Permits No.	Contract Price.	Permits No.	Contract Price.
		£		£		£		£
<u>1939.</u> April	11	10,452	3	2,833	20	3,028	34	16,313
<u>1938.</u> April	11	9,700	3	2,600	23	2,456	37	14,756

Government Contracts - Nil.